HON. RANDALL GIBSON he Necessity for and Value of the

Proposed Improvements of the Mississippi. Pertinent to the River Improvement Con-ntion, which will meet at St. Louis next Wednesday, we make room for the following admirable letter from Hon, Randall Gilson,

of Louisiana, whose bill now before Congress is so comprehensive as to challenge the ap-proval of the press and public alike: To the Public. ate of Ohio.

My attention has been called to a new aper statement that the House bill for the in navement of the Mississippi river has not bee ally considered, and that the members of Cou-ress and the members of the press of the Missi-Valley are insisting upon appropriations for ver in advance of proper surveys and esti-ling to say a few words in explanation of all, in order to remove any false impressions so important a subject in the first piace, an act entitled "An act to profe for the appointment of a Mississippi Rive munission for the improvement of said rive on the head of the passes near its mount to it atwaters, became a law June 2, 1879. The sident appointed upon this commission. Gif see, Stuer, Comstock, Mitchell, Eads, Harrod Ulterrison all turns well known to science and THIS COMMISSION t its work immediately, and aubmitted n February 17, 1880. You will perceiv sking over the report, how comprehensive e and scientific has been the treatment.

The Crown Prince of Prussia has reached his fiftieth year. His birthday was cele brated with much splendor on Tuesday. "Empty is the cradle, baby's gone; Smith Haven music dealer's advertisement read. Mr. Charles Darwin has inherited a large fortune from his late brother, Erasmus A. Darwin. It amounts to nearly a million del-Mr. J. Q. A. Ward is in Connecticut, making estimates for a life-size marble figure of the late Governor W. A. Buckingham for the capitol at Hartford. The Missouri Immigration Society has prepared, and is sending out, a psimphlet claiming to give an accurate description of every inty in the State. Miss Blanche De Bar is to bring out a new drama, written by herself, and entitled Eco, the Saleslady. Now let somebody rewrite the part of Mose, the Firegentleman. A college joke from the Trinity Tublet: Fresh: "May I have the pleasure?" Miss Society: "Oui." Fresh: "What does 'we' for the purpose of acquiring a knowle semilar conditions and waits, and to ga maxion relative to the best method for ement. On the 28th of May last, the jomean?" Miss Society: "O, U and I." The Galveston News asserts that no paper or public man of any great force in Texas has spoken in favor of the division of the State, all the talking being done by persons The Santa Fe New Mexican asserts that that town has the only monument in the country that has the word rebel upon it, and the only ene upon which the word February is spelled Names seem to have lost their significance. Christian Johnson is under arrest in Detroit, Michigan, on the charge of burglary, and Christian Angel for refusing to support his

The English life of President Garfield, From Log Cabin to White House, has reached a third edition, which includes a chapter on a third edition, which includes a chapter on his tragic death. An edition of this work in Dutch will appear shortly in Amsterdam.

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While Newgate is very near the place where the Walling street reached the city wall. excites ! ! ! of surprise and a hankering to Mr. Justin McCarthy has written a small historical work called The Epoch of Reform, which refers the beginnings of the present Irish movement to the twenty years between 1830 and 1850. It will be ready some time the naircosis-corporations that occurs win-competition by ma-reaching, all-grasp all-powerful combinations—which, at any of a few capitalists, may determine of freight, and, therefore, the value and poperty and the wages of labor; or shall their great highway, and give to the guid unobstructed and untaxed commit The father of Mrs. Christiancy testified in th is the basin into which empty for that he will not be a candidate for re-elec-tion. He is understood to favor Judge De-vige as his successor. Of the latter the Gal-veston News says: "Western Texas has no

A Bangor bicyclist, George N. Rogers by name, rode home from Boston in four days ast week. Tuesday he went from Boston to Portsmouth, 56 miles; Wednesday to Portnd, 52 miles; Thursday to Augusta, 55 les, and Friday to Bangor, 74 miles. To-The prices of tickets to the public dinner given to Mr. Gladstone in Leeds, October 7th, ranged from five dollars to twenty-five ollars, "according to situation." The usual rice of a ticket to a public dinner in Engand, is five dollars; sometimes it is sever Herr Wagner is said to be tired of Bay-reuth, and would be glad to part with his fine house any day. In this beautiful dwell-ing there is a series of rooms adorned in dif-

ferent tones and shades of color to suit the varying musical moods of its owner. A sojourn in the red room, for example, produce a grand march or heroic chorus. In most States the Jews and Seventh-Day Baptists are by law exempted from keeping Sunday, provided they keep Saturday instead. Pennsylvania is one of the exceptions, and in several counties of that State the Sunday law is very rigidly inforced against Seventh-Day Baptists. A movement to change the statute is to be made. He was at breakfast, wrestling with a piece of remarkably tough veal. His wife said to The Belfast (Me.) Age, which went over rem the Republicans to the Greenbackers, favers a union of the Greenback and Demo-cratic parties under the latter name. The other two Greenback papers in Maine— Chase's Chroniele and the Portland News-faprospect now is that there will be two Green-oack State Conventions in Maine next year, Colonel W. E. Montagne's spirited narra-tive of the "Besieged in the Transvaal," pub-lished in Blackwood, has been issued in book and put on the ground,"

and my seat a soldier's blanket rolled up lepling to lay down their arms." Mr. Ru-kin, in his latest book, The Bible of Amicus, writing on the homage paid to the Virgin Mary, says: "Neither Madonna worship nor lady worship of any sort, whether of dead ladies or living ones, ever did not be the same that the did not be the same to the same that the same th did any human creature any harm; but that money worship, wig-worship, cocked-hat-and-feather-worship have done and are doing a great deal; and that any of these and all are quite a million-fold more offensive than all the absurdest and lovingest mis-takes made by any generation of His simple children about what the Virgin Mother could or would or might de and feel for

was married last week. So, if grandmi uld live another year or two, as she sti enjoys life, the prospect for the first of the fifth generation is very good. She was one of the early pioneers of the county. She makes her home most of the time with her dependent of the lime with her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Shanklin. She is very proud of her large family, and knows the faces of all her little great-grandchildren. PERSONAL AND OTHER WISE M. Victor Hugo has just given \$20,000 t the poor of Paris. General James 7B. Steedman is among the

London Saturday Review. The precise reasons which induce the city authorities to demolish Newgate have not yet been made public. To the outsider it would defeated Democratic candidates for the Sen-General N. P. Banks says that he would not be willing to accept the Governorship Arizona if it were offered to him. "Why don't you have some stile abou you?" said the man who had looked along a mile of barbed fence for an entrance.

ometimes appear as if every municipality and corporation, religious or lay, was subject and corporation, religious or lay, was subject to periodical fits of destructiveness. As a prison, Newgate, no doubt, is antiquated, but we shall probably see the present building succeeded by a smaller one for the safe custody of prisoners during the sessions, and may ask without impertinence why the old prison could not have been a little altered and made suitable without absolute destruction. Many of the arguments against the removal of Temple Bar apply with greater force here. We were told, for instance, by numerable writers that Temple Bar was the last of the city gates. They forgot, or never knew, that it had never been a city gate; but Newgate is unquestionably one wing of a real city gate, having been built on the site of the southern portion of the ancient arched entrance to the city from Holborn, As to associations, also, Newgate is far mor nteresting than Temple Bar. It vies, in fact, with the Tower in the eminence of its involuntary inhabitants. Though it would e a mockery to say of the present edifice that it is ornamental, it is undoubtedly one the most satisfactory public buildings i

London-gloomy, strong, impressive, and with its object as plainly marked on it as if the word "prison" was stamped on every stone. Dance, its architect, deserves the credit of having designed a perfectly simple, but perfectly suitable, facade, the more so as, though it is 300 feet long, it has no win-dows, except in the central portion, only thirty feet in width. Although the hight is only fifty feet, the effect produced by the mere mass and outline is comparable to that of a Norman keep. The central lodge, with its numerous arched windows in five stories has been severely criticised; but, withou some such feature, the plainness of the r lect. The earlier design consisted of on present arrangement is very preferable. The statues removed from the old gate, and now set up in two niches on the front and two at the south side, are somewhat incongruous, and the festoons of fetters form a very luguirious kind of ornament. The 100 years of its existence have seen many alterations and mprovements of the interior, but have left the exterior substantially as it was when the new building was completed in 1782. The name of Newgate may be compared with that of Newport, at Lincoln. Both belong to the entrances of Roman cities. It may be too much to say that Newgate is the oldest of the London city gates, but it would be difficult to prove the greater antientry of its

the Watling street reached the city wa When the Romans had diverted the old ro at what is now the Marble Arch, so that no longer pursued the course of the mode Park Lane to the ford at Westminster, be turned toward what was then the newly-co structed bridge at London, the place of the gate on the hill was determined by the place in the valley below of the bridge over the Fleet. The Hole-bourn in later times took The father of Mrs. Christiancy testified in Washington the other day that previous to accepting the ex-Senator his daughter had refused twenty-five offers of matrimony. This speaks in somewhat emphasized terms of Mr. Christiancy's attractive points.

Tony Revillon, who has shot into notice. Tony Revillon, who has shot into notice in Paris as a writer of workingmen's novels and a Radical politician, began his literary career at the antipodes of Belleville life. One of his first efforts was an elegantly written volume of Soucenirs of the Faubourg Saint (Grangin Walls). The Source of the Faubourg Saint (Grangin Walls) at Ludgate, though there are certain indications to the contrary; but the principal entrance to the later Roman London must have been by Newgate. A fragment of the road which crossed the city diagonally from Newgate toward the great bridge over the Thames, still bears its ancient name; but even here Records show that the longest drouth inal site. The exact date of the alteration to which this country has ever struggled through
was in the year 1762, when for one hundred
and twenty-three days in succession, ending
September 1st, no rain fell over a considera-

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m the Holy Hamted Hideous Hunted Hell-bound Hated Hound, I'm a Killer-When-Not Eun-to-Earth, but when am fairly, surely, squarely (and that's rarely) run

And Fil give my braves their fill of Yankse hair. For many years Edward A. Freeman has

by side with these appeared from time to time his works on Old English History, the Chase's Chroniele and the Portland News+1a-vor a straight Greenback organization. The call and political essays almost without num-

ature on that and the related subjects during form. In a letter from Maritzburg ne gives this novel picture of authorship in the field:

"Besieged in the Transvaal" was written in a tent full of bullet-holes, on ground actually strewed with lead, and on which a week strewed with lead to be a week strewed wit divertisement to be found in Volume 18 of his name in the poets' Pantheon. He also Bachaumout's (Moufile d'Argerville's) Menoires Secrets: "30th December, 1781. M. Foundation of the Achaian League to the Disrup-

moires Secrets; "30th December, 1781. M. Daval, confectioner to the King, at the sign of the Grande Monarque, Rue des Lombards, continues to offer to the public a course of history in sugar-work. He begs to announce that next month will be found in his stock of New Year's presents the French fleet blockeding Chesapeake Bay, the investment of Yorktown and Gloucester by the French and American armies, the surrender of Lord Cornsellia, the English destine to law down their arms."

Foundation of the Achaian League to the Disruption of the United States. The first and only volume completed, devoted to the federal system of Greece, appeared in January, 1863—a dark hour, indeed, in the annals of this nation—when many wise men thought the last hour of the Federal Union had wruck. That proved to be a great mistake; and if Mr. Freeman should live to resume his unfinushed work, he would find many things in our later history calculated

writer, with a fancy for appropriate texts Mr. Freeman with the lines from The World Literary Congress, is said to have given in a novel, printed about 1861-62, the first impulse to what has since been known as the Nihilist movement. He is in the great min-ing district of the Crown in Eastern Siberia, and for twelve years was literally chained to

been lately somewhat lightened, but its effects are revealed in his appearance. He looks, although only fifty years old, like a ble is that they have each undertaken to man of great age.

Joe Jefferson has incurred the displeasure of the Ladies' Sabbath Association of St.

the picturesque and very with which Mr. Freeman is of the Ladies' Sabbath Association of St. Louis by acting there on Sunday. He ex-

September 29th was the eighty-sixth auniversary of Grandma Collier's birthday in iterative county, on which occasion she enough the total lady some diffilted token of their love and respect for her. asking has nine of her own children where the wording and the soboungest thirty-six, one of her dangliters because when play on that day and all houses on grandmother to sixteen children. She can count fifty-one grandchildren, and more than count fifty-one grandchildren, and more prompt or generous recognition. Oxford and Cambridge have been induced to play here on the Subath, as they say it will prevent them from seeing your new play, as they have determined to set their faces against all houses which permit Sunday theatricals."

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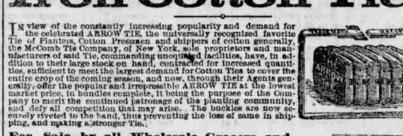
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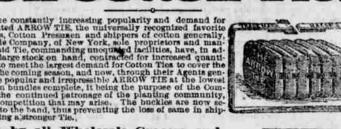
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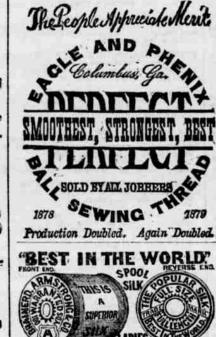
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